

Gullah Geechee matching game and crossword puzzle

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Gullah communities, made up of people who are descendants of slaves, are located mostly on the Sea Islands of South Carolina and Georgia. They have a unique culture that is directly linked to West Africa. In South Carolina, this group of African Americans and the language they speak are called Gullah. In Georgia, they are called Geechee. Native Islanders is another term that refers to the Gullah and Geechee people.

Gullah is also a language, developed among Africans to communicate with people from other tribes and Europeans. Gullah/Geechee is no longer considered poor English. In 1930 it was discovered that this is a language made up of English and over 4,000 words from many different African languages.

Many historians believe that the word *Gullah* comes from Angola, a West African country from which many slaves came. Another idea is that *Gullah* is from the Gola, a tribe found near the border of Liberia and Sierra Leone in West Africa. Although where the word comes from is not known, many people agree that the Gullah/Geechee people and their language have African roots.

<p>matching game</p>	<p>No Mannus</p>	<p>Ask</p>
<p>See if you can match the Gullah/Geechee words on the left with the everyday English word on the right. How fast can you do this?</p>	<p>Chillun</p>	<p>Make</p>
	<p>Day Clean</p>	<p>Woman</p>
	<p>Can See to Can't See</p>	<p>Give to Us</p>
	<p>Dem</p>	<p>Leave Hurriedly</p>
	<p>Paa'ty</p>	<p>Spoil</p>
	<p>Ack Natchul</p>	<p>Morning to Night</p>
	<p>Holluh</p>	<p>Harbor</p>
	<p>Mout Dry Up</p>	<p>Egg</p>
	<p>Aig</p>	<p>Act Natural</p>
	<p>Haa'buh</p>	<p>Speechless</p>
	<p>Spile</p>	<p>Sunrise</p>
	<p>Make Trak fuh</p>	<p>Holler</p>
	<p>Gi We</p>	<p>Party</p>
	<p>Ooman</p>	<p>Them</p>
	<p>Ax</p>	<p>Children</p>
	<p>Mek</p>	<p>No Manners</p>

crossword puzzle	
Find each of the following words:	
DESCENDENTS	
SEA ISLANDS	
GEORGIA	
PENN CENTER	
ST HELENA ISLAND	
EDISTO ISLAND	
BARBADOS	
RICH HERITAGE	
INDIGO	
SLAVES	
SWEETGRASS	
SIERRA LEONE	
RICE	

I	I	D	C	I	D	R	I	C	H		H	E	R	I	T	A	G	E	A	N	E	
S	D	P	E	N	N		C	E	N	T	E	R	S	S	A	R	L	E	S	N	E	V
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E	L	E	S	D	N	H	A	S	S	I	V	A	S	E	G	S	F	E	H	G	W	H
T	L	L	R	C	N	G	L	B	N	A	I	N	A	O	R		G	L	E	L	E	
S	A	I	P	R	E	A	S	R	L	D	N	E	R	S	R	A	T	D	A	A	N	R
N	I	I	R	L	A	N	L	S	S		E	E	G	O	A	N	F	G	N	G	E	N
A	W	G	L	I	E		D	S		C	C	S	T	D	N	R	G	D	A	N	I	S
	I	R	N	V	O	S	L	A	I	T	I	S	E	A	D	I	N	D	I	G	O	L
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A	L	A	I	N	N	R		D	O	T	A	P	W	R	P	R	H		D	H	R	E
E	S	T	T	L	S	A	I	A	I	N	S	E	S	A	I	T	S	N	L	I	N	C
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